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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, STRATEGIC HDTEL CAPITAL, INC., 8.25% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on January 31, 2006. That ive listing date — February 2, 2006.

Sincerely,

Varia Pholho